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In re U.S.Patent No. 6,037,931

Inventor: Je Tae KIM

Issue Date: March 14, 2000 Atty. Docket No. 07059.0002 For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR

CONTROLLING PICTURE INVERSION

OF A LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY

NOTICE VACATING

CERTIFICATE

OF CORRECTION

Certificate

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of Correction

This patent file is before the Office of Patent Legal Administration for consideration of the issuance of a purported Certificate of Correction on October 2, 2001.

This paper serves as notice that the above-identified patent was mistakenly indicated as having a Certificate of Correction on October 2, 2001, and was mistakenly included in the listing of patents having a Certificate of Correction for the week of October 2, 2001 at 1251 Off. Gaz. U.S. Pat. and Trademark Off. 25.

## DISCUSSION

Inspection of the file record reveals that:

A first Certificate of Correction request by patentee to add the name of the assignee to U.S. Patent No. 6,037,931, was approved by the Office and properly issued on April 17, 2001.

A second Certificate of Correction request in the form of an unsigned "DRAFT" was filed on April 26, 2001, requesting a change to patent claim 1. The Technology Center (TC) by way of the communication (PTOL 306) dated July 13, 2001, was duly consulted by Certificate of Correction Branch as to whether the request for Certificate of Correction filed April 26, 2001, should issue. informal note in the file from the TC indicated that the document marked as "DRAFT" could not be accepted as it was not a formal The informal paper was stamped with the name of a



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Supervisory Patent Examiner, and the PTOL 306 was marked "Disapproved," but was not signed by anyone from the TC.

Through an unexplained set of circumstances, the unsigned "DRAFT" request was further processed and a Certificate of Correction ultimately issued on October 2, 2001, despite indications of record that it had been disapproved. To the extent that the Certificate of Correction of October 2, 2001 may be construed as other than an inadvertent printing error, it is inconsistent with, and inexplicable on, the written record, and, as such, the Certificate of Correction is vacated.

Having received an indication of the examiner's intent to disapprove the requested change, patentee's representative proceeded to file a reissue application (Appl. No. 09/953,622) on September 20, 2001, to correct the same error requested in the "DRAFT" Certificate of Correction request.

## CONCLUSION

The USPTO's publication (on October 2, 2001) of a document purporting to be a Certificate of Correction for the above-identified patent was an inadvertent error, and is, as noted above, effectively **vacated** herewith.

Since the erroneously issued Certificate of Correction cannot be removed from all databases in which it is stored (particularly those not under the control of the USPTO), the Office will, sua sponte, issue a new certificate of correction to remove the text that was added in the Certificate of Correction dated October 2, 2001. Specifically, claim 1 will be amended by this certificate to remove the language "video image being displayed on said liquid crystal display based on." Any inconvenience to patentee is regretted.

Patentee may seek the change originally to be made by Certificate of Correction in the pending reissue application referred to above.

A copy of this decision will be made of record in reissue Appl. No. 09/953,622.

This patent file is being forwarded to Certificate of Correction Branch for further processing consistent with this communication. U.S. Pat. No. 6,037,931 Atty. Docket No. 07059.0002

Any inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Joseph Narcavage, Senior Special Projects Advisor, at (703) 305-1795.

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## MEMORANDUM - CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

DATE:

July 31, 2002

TO:

Certificate of Corrections Branch

FROM:

Joseph Narcavage

Senior Special Projects Advisor

Office of Patent legal Administration

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

Please issue a Certificate of Correction in U.S. Patent No. 6,037,931 as specified on the attached Certificate.

## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

PATENT

6,037,931

DATED

March 14, 2000

INVENTOR(S):

Je-Tae Kim

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Claim 1, column 6, In the insert to lines 49-53, please delete

"video image being displayed on said liquid crysal display based on"